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grave, and Mr. Morton as he raised



"PARDON ME, MISS CLARK."

Dillinghams passed them with what faces. The light of the afternoon suddealy went out. She was no longer college graduate, an educated young woman the equal, in every-thing but wealth, of this glorious ereature she had just passed; she was only a hired girl, a servant. And the guif that yawned between her and the minister was too deep to be bridged. It was folly to be happy any tonger. Happiness was not for her; only ambition was left, and even that might not be possible if this social settlement plan was to be involved in aers, and-

"I beg pardon, Miss Clark, but did I hear you say the other night at Mrs. Vane's that you or your mother had known the Diffinghams before you came to Crawford?" Mr. Morton was coming to the re-

lief of her embarras-ment.

"No, mother is related to one branch of the family. Mrs. Dillingthat evening," she added. "I have not been courteous, hardly, in response to her invitation."

'It's a very nice family," Mr. Morton said, quite tamely.

"Yes, Miss Dillingham is a remarkably beautiful person, don't you think?" Barbara was not quite herself, or she would not have asked nuch a question.

"She is not as benutiful as some one else I know," replied Morton, suddenly, and as he said it he looked Marbara full in the face.
It was one of those sudden yield-

ings to temptation that the young minister in his singularly strong, earnest, serious life could number on his He regretted it the minute the words were spoken, but that could not recall them. Over Barbara's face the warm blood flowed in a deepening wave, and for a moment her heart stood still. Then, as she walked on, she was conscious of Mr. Mor- she signed her name and put a ton's swiftly spoken apringy as he

"Pardon me, Miss Clark, I forgot myself. 1-will you forget-will you

Then Barbara had marmared come

reply, and he had taken off his hat very gravely and bowed as he took leave of her, and she had gone on with a flaming face and a beating "He asked me to forget it? I can-

in her hands up in her room, while

the tears wet her cheeks. "He asked

she said, as she buried her face

me to forgive it. Forgive him for saying what he did? But it was not anything very dreadful." She emiled, then frowned at the recollection. silty compliment that gentlemen are in the habit of paying. But was it silly, or was he in the habit of paying such? Was it not a real expres-sion of what he felt-" She put her bands over her ears, as if to shut out whispers that might kill her ambitions and put something else in their place. But when she went down to work a little later she could not shut out the picture of that afternoon. She could neither forget nor forgive.

frown in the heart! The rest of that week Mr. Morton | ture, stayed away from Mrs. Ward's, al-though Mr. Ward had expected him to tea on Friday. He sent a note pleading stress of church work. Mr. Ward commented on it at the table.

ing denied; and with a smile, not a

"Morton is killing himself already. He seems to think he can do every-He won't last out half his days at the present rate."

"He needs a good wife more than anything else," Mrs. Ward said, carebessly. "Some one night to manage

"Yes, I seppose every woman in the church knows just the girl for Mr. Ward remyrked.

"If he marries anyone in Marile Square parish it will ever a trouble

It always does," sold Mrs. Wa d. to look out for that," replied Mr | Endeavor society, Miss Clark," he said,

Barbara head every word as the was serving at the table, and feared her face night being her. But Mrs. Ward, in whom liarlian had never confated, as she had in Mrs. Vanz, did not detect anythings and Barbara found

The following Sanday she had an ex-perience which added to her knowl- would have made her tremble if she edgesof the position she occupied as a bad lifted her face to his.

Instantly Barbara's face became servant, and led up to the great crisis Since entering Mrs. Ward's family she had not attended evening service owing to her desira to spend that time with her mother. But on this partie-

Morion, the decided that the would interpreting to mean at least a real ingo out to the Endenvor meeting at the | terest in her and her encer. Marble Square church. There was no service after the Christian Endeavor positively as she walked on. "His life meeting on this Sunday evening, as at its dependent on social conditions that custom one Sanday in every he must observe. For him to ignore ociety and its work. The minister-

the large, handsome chapel of the Marble Square church was rapidly fillsome young preacher was very popu-ar with the young people, and the soety had increased rapidly in mem-

The usher showed Barbara to a seat about haif way down the able. As she sat down she noticed Mr. Morton talk- er, more praceful spot is not regarded mg with a group of young people down in front. When they separated, he looked up and saw her, and, coming from the sisle, he gravely shook hands, and then introduced her to the young woman next to her. He then went to the door, greeted some of the members coming in, and then went a front seat just as the meeting be-

It had been a long time since Harbara had attended a Christian Endeavor meeting. She felt that she growing rather old for it, but to night she enjoyed it thoroughly. When the time came for Mr. Morton to speak, he was surprised to find how her anticipation of what he had to say was was all so manly, with such a genuine, and she said to herkelf in a real fragrance to it, so tinged with healthy humor, so helpful for real life, that it helped her. She was grateful to him. Like the first sermon she had heard him preach, his talk to-night made her feel the value of life and the trength of effort in God's world.

Then suddenly, while she was looking at the carnest, eloquent face, the consciousness of the remoteness of his life from hers smote her into despair. When the service was over, she did not want to remain to the quiet, social gathering that followed. But her neighbor to whom Morton had introduced her asked her to come into the little gathering of other visitors and strangers who were being received by an introduction committee and made welcome to the society, the committee giving all strangers topic cards and

another as well as to members. It was one of the new methods pureard by this committee to ask all trangers to sign a little card giving the address of the newcomer, so that ing the week, and, it necessary, not as escuri to the next meeting. One of of her feeling regarding her position. ! the words: "House servant at Mr. Ward's, 36 Hamilton street."

It was attogether unirecessary for her to be estentations with her position; but she was not perfect, and feit tion right in Mr. Morton's own society, A few of the young people in the Marble Square church knew who she was and what she was doing, and with a few exceptions she had been treated with great kindness, no discrimination whatever being made. But the majority of the young people did not know her, and to-night she was plainly dressed, her face was bearing marks of the weathness of the strain of the last month's work, and it was not supprising that she was suspicious of every

When the committee and the other strangers finally went out and mingled with the others in the large room, Barbara thought she detected a distinct coldness to her. She was certain her name and her position had been whispered around among the young people. As she afterward found out, she did the committee an injustice, as they had not told anyone of her work. But the was left alone in the midst of all the others, and in spite of her habits of how his plea for forgiveness was beself-control and her previous experiences she began to feel a bitterness that was contrary to her sweet na-

> She looked around the room, and nofield Miss Dillingham talking with a group of other girls who had begun to come in the society a little while after Mr. Morton's call to Crawford; and she went over to her and spoke to her, And then it was that Miss Dillings ham, who was not perfect any more than Barbara, did as wrong a social act as she had ever done in her life. She simply notified to Barbara without saying a word, and went on talking with-

out introducing her friends to Earbara or taking any other notice of her. Barbara instantly stepped back away from the group, while her face glowed and then paled. As she turned sharply around to go out of the door which was near; Mr. Morton confronted her. He

had witnessed the little seene. "You will always be velcome in our while the color that mounted to his

"I shall never come again so long as I am a servant!" replied Barbara, in a tone as near that of passion as she had ever shown to him. And with the words she opened the door and went out into relief by returning soon to her kitchen. | the night, leaving him standing there

WE CANNOT CHE SHIN ALL THINGS

darkness after that were with Miss. England, it was more than the farkness of physical night that oppressed her. She thought she realized with a variances more real than she had ever before experienced the gulf that separated her from the young minister of Marble Square church. With almost grim resolve she said to perself: "I have dreamed a valufrom. I will give myself up now to are career. Whatever ambition I have of her life, as she will always regard it. shall center about the possibilities of service. He can sever be anything to me. It would risk all his prospects in in any of the trawlerd churches, life, even if even if he should come he suggestion, for there had been inmar Sunday following her interview | Limations on the part of the young ith Mrs. Vane and her talk with Mr. preacher that Barbara could be "But no, it is not possible!" she said

mouth to give the whole evening to the | them must mean social loss and possibly social disgrace. The minister of was in the habit of attending this special notice, girl! Make her his wife!" Barbara ometimes by making a direct address. Trembled at the thought of the sacred on the topic of the evening, or by tak- word which she hardly whispered to ig a part assigned to him beforehand ther heart. "Even it she were as well." educated and well equipped for such a position as any young woman in his parish, at II, nothing could remove the fact of her actual service. And service," Harlman hitterly said to her-self as she beared home, "service is no longer considered a noble thing. It is mly beautiful young women like Miss bership and attendance since Morton's Dillingham, who have nothing to do, who have the highest place in seclety A girl who is really doing something with her hands to make a home a sweet

other cog in a necessary machine. So-

lety cannot give real service any place

of lidle wealth and fashion that wins

its worship. It is only the leisure

the love and homoge of the world." "And the church, too," Barbara coninued in her monologue, after she around by a side aisle and sat down on | had bidden her mother good night and gone up to her room. "The church, too, in its pride and vainglory is ready to join the world in scorn of honest labor of the hands." She recalled all the real and funcied slights and reshe had endured in the church and from church people since going out to service, and for a few minutes her heart was hard and bitter toward all Christian people. But gradually, not spoiled by anything he said. It as she grew quiet, her passion cooled, prayer: "Lord, let me not offend by adging too hastily; and if I am to lose out of my life my heart's desire for love, do not let me grow morose or chiding. Keep me sweet and encomplaining. How else shall I belp to make a better world?" A few tears fell as she prayed this prayer, and after a few minutes' quiet she felt more like for natural, even-tempered

"If I am going to stay a servant," she said, with some calling back of her former habit, "I must learn what God thinks of service. I shall need all I can get out of His word strengthen me in days to come." She had made a collection of her passages relating to service, and to-night she acided to it from one of Paul's letters, dwelling on the words as she other printed matter belonging to the read them atoud: "Servants, obey in society, and introducing them to one all things them that are your masters according to the flesh; not with eve service; as menodements, but in singleness of heart, fearing the Lord; whatsoever ye do, work heartily, as auto the Lord, and not unto menso me one of the society might call dur- knowing that from the Lord ye shall receive the recompense of the inherstance; ye serve the Lord Christ. For these cards was given to Barbara; and he that doeth wrong shall receive in a spirit of perversity, growing out sgain for the wrong that he hath of her feeling regarding her position. ng that ye also have a Master in Heaven.'

"Of course," Barbara mused, after enying the words, "all this was said to actual slaves, whose bodies were bought and sold in the market like be spoken to any class of servants Whatsoever ye either then or now! do, work heartily! One thing that servants lack in their service is heartiness. It is done for wages, not for love of service. 'As unto the Lord and not unfo men.' How few servants ever think of that The Lord is the real Master. He is being served if what I do is a good thing that needs doing. 'There is no re-spect of persons.' How great a thing that is! In Goal's sight my soul is as much weeth caring as any other. of the rich and the famous, 'Musters, ' render unto your servants that which is just and equal." If that were done, it might make conditions for different so far as the servant-girl question is concerned. But who will tell us what is meant by 'just and equal' to-day?" Harbara shook her head doubtfully, and went on. "Knowing that ye have also a Master in Heaven." That helps me, Paul most have known my need as servants to whom he wrote. 'A Muster in Beaven.' May He help me to

So Barbara the next day did not present the appearance of the modern broken-hearted beroine in the end of the century novel. Anyone who knew her could plainly marks in her face and manner of a great experience. But there was no gloom about her, no un-Christian traple bewalling of fate or circumtaxee. If she were to live her life as she supposed she should. without life's greatest help to live, so far as human love can go, she would at least live it bravely as so est. Carbara, you know well enough hat Andition does not spell Love. heart would tremble if the young minister of Maride Square church should pass you and give you one earnest look out of his great dark eyes, as he did on that well-remembered day when he said that you were beautiful. Ah, Barbarat Are you quite sure you have forever bidden fareviell to the hollest dream of

(To be continued.)

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THE NEWS RESUME.

Being a Condensed Story of the News of the Week.

Two London physicians are victims

to Roentgen's rays. Secretary of Interior Hitchcock re-

turns from four weeks' outing. Burglar who attacked 18-year-old girl, beaten to death by mob in Berlin.

Twenty-one killed and thirty injured in wreck on Grand Trunk at Durand,

Four battalions of Turkish troops rout 1,700 Bulgarian insurgents near Sorovitch.

Government lands in Missouri have decreased in acreage over 100,000 acres since 1899.

Wallace Eddleman stabbed his fether, mother and young wife at Memphis, Tenn., Sunday. The Rev. J. H. Hillyard, a veteran

minister of Southern Indiana, died at Onkland City Sunday. Report of Department of Labor and Commerce, shows improvement in in-

terior trade conditions. A. C. Anglemeyer, an old newspa man, committed sulcide at Joplin, Mo., by shooting himself three times,

Samuel Parks, walking delegate, is convicted at New York of assaulting a plasterer at a meeting of the union. A Seattle man is about to complete a journey around the world in 55 days,

relying entirely on public convey

George A. Dewey and James Moon ey, scientists, deny that they induced Cheyenne Indians to execute the sun

Many objects of scientific value are discovered in ancient caves of Shasta County. Cal., by explorers from the State University.

Deputy Marshal Wiley Haines was shot and fatally wounded in a running battle with outlaws near Pawhuska in the Osage Nation.

The new town of Falls City, nine miles from Muscogee, was launched will begin at once.

France was astonished by the election of Cardinal Barte as Pope, his name not having been mentioned by

the Paris Journals. King Peter is terrorized by his entourage, it is asserted, and changes an appointment to suit the men who kill-

ed King Alexander. A violent earthquake shock was felt at Lisbon. Spain, and vicinity. A panic and some damage was caused, but no fatalities resulted.

Tom Horn and Jim McCloud escaped from the jail at Chevenne, Wyo., after overpowering the jallor, but they

A Democratic convention at fronton,

O., adopts resolutions demanding that the death penalty be inflicted in all boodle and bribery cases. Representatives from all South American countries are to be invited

to the congress on tuberculosis which is to meet in St. Louis in 1904. A negro who was one of the leaders in the escape from Foisom Penitentiary has been captured, and officers

are close on the traffs of other fugl General Miles retired at noon Satur day, harassed to the end of his long military service by jeatous superiors. who suspected him of political ambi-

The British Consul at Shanghai refures his consent to the transfer of the staff of a reform newspaper to Pekin, where charges of sedition have been preferred.

that which is just and equal; know- again under investigation by the courts at London, where he has been failure several years ago.

Disturbances in Macedonia are spreading and authorities at Constantinople are using every means to coun teract the aggression of rebels. Foroign officials there are uneasy, in spite of assurances.

Sheriff Whitlock of Danville, Ill., answers Governor Yates' letter concerning the riot and lynching there, declaring that someone in authority should always be left at the capital to act in such emergencies.

The commerce of the United States with Ruspia during the fiscal year just closed was the largest in the history of the nation. The imports were the largest of any year, and the exports greater than in any other year except 1882.

The Ulinois and Michigan Canal Commissioners make formal demand on the State for \$50,000 of the recent. appropriation by the Legislature, but the Auditor withholds payment pend ing an opinion from the Attorney Gen-

The Lowe special train over the Santa Fe completes the run from Chicago to Los Angeles in 53 hours, ertablishing a new record. Mr. Lowe's journey from New York to Los Angeles in less than three days also makes a new record.

The Post Office Department has is sued orders against the Co-Operative Turf Association of New Orleans, which is said to have been using the mails to defraud betters by making false promises and failing to keep agreements with investors.

The disappearance of Willard S. Al len, treasurer of the Ministers' Aid Society, with \$80,000 of the funds, has caused a profound stir in Boston church circles. It has developed that he gambled in scenrities with the church's money and fled when the panic swept all his money away.

Baron Speck Von Sternberg, the new German Ambassador to the United States, formally presents his credentlais to President Roosevelt at Sagamore Hill, thereby establishing a

A reaction has set in in favor of General Miles in official circles in Washington, since the failure of the dministration to recognize his brillant services in the order retiring itm. r neglect which is styled even by may officers who were not identified vith the "Miles faction" as a breach of "elementary decency."

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